

Education of Students With Disabilities Under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

It is the intent of the district to ensure that students who are disabled within the definition of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 are identified, evaluated and provided with appropriate educational services. Students may be a qualified disabled under this law even though they are not eligible for services pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

Section 504 is a civil rights law which protects the rights of individuals with disabilities in programs and activities that receive federal financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Education. A child is a “qualified disabled person” under Section 504 if he or she:

- A. Has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities (such as caring for oneself , performing manual tasks, walking, seeing, hearing, speaking, breathing, learning, reading, concentrating, thinking, communicating and working), has a record of such an impairment, or is regarded as having such an impairment; and
- B. Is between the ages of 3 to 21 years old.

The superintendent or designee will establish procedures to ensure that students who are disabled within the definition of Section 504 are educated in full compliance with the law.

Cross References: 3210 - Nondiscrimination
2161 - Special Education and Related Services for Eligible Students
3246 – Required Notification of Isolation or Restraint of Students with IEPs or Section 504 Plans

Legal References: 42 USC 12101 et seq. Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990
34 CFR Part 104 Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
34 CFR Part 99 Family Education and Privacy Act
RCW 28A.600.485 Restraint of students with individualized education programs or plans developed under section 504 of the rehabilitation act of 1973 – Procedures —Summary of incidents of isolation or restraint—
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RCW 28A.600.486 District policy on use of isolation or restraint – Notice to parents and guardians of children who have individualized education programs or plans developed under section 504 of the rehabilitation act of 1973.

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